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Sir:

Responsive to the Patent Office paper issued April 23, 2001, there is submitted herewith an executed Declaration for the above-identified application. A copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) is enclosed. A Petition for Extension of Response Period, along with the appropriate government fee, is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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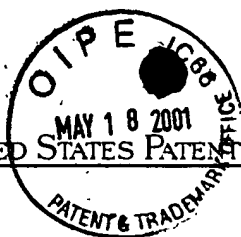
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